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THIRD SESSION.—EDWIN HERSHEY, ESQUIRE, WARDEN.
16th, 17th, 18th and 19th December, 1879.

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THIRD SESSION.

Welland, Tuesday, Dec. 16th, 1879.

Pursuant to call made under the direction of the Warden, the Municipal Council of the County of Welland met in the Grand Jury Council Met. Room, in the Court House, at the Town of Welland, on Tuesday, the 16th day of December, 1879, at one o'clock, p.m., for the transaction of general business.

The Warden in the Chair

Members present-Messrs. Baker, Burgar, Buchner, Cruickshank, Damude, Duncan, Furry, Garner, Hooker, Johnson, Law, Lee, Metler, Page, Pringle, Ramsden, and Smith-17.

The Warden addressed the Council relative to the business likely to engage the attention of Council the present session, and concluded by presenting several communications received since last meeting of Council

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Warden's Address.

Also several printed copies of proceedings of other Counties.

Also sundry accounts and other matters, which he recommended to be dealt with by the Appropriate Committees.

Moved by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Burgar,

Motion as t Hours of Meeting. That the hours of meeting and adjournment, during the present Session, be as follows: Meet at 9 o'clock a.m., adjourn at 12.30 p.m.; meet again at 2 p,m., and adjourn at 6 p.m.

The motion being proposed to the Council,

Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Mr. Duncan, in amendment,

Amendment.

That the hours of meeting and adjournment, during present session be as follows: Meet at 9 o'clock a.m., adjourn at 12.30 p.m.; meet again at 2 p.m., adjourn at 6 p.m.; and meet again at 7.30 p.m.

Amendment Lost. The amendment, being proposed to the Council, was lost on a division.

Motion carried.

Statement re Marsh Lands. The original motion being again proposed, was carried on a division.

Moved by Mr. Buchner, seconded by Mr. Damude,

Motion.

That the Warden do cause a statement to be laid before this Council, on Thursday morning, stating the whole cost of the Marsh Lands Tract to date, with cost of Surveying, Committees, Ditching, &c., also the amount received from sale and other receipts; also, the number of acres yet unsold, and the amount now due the County from purchasers of Marsh Lands.

The motion being proposed, it was

Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

Amendment.

That the words "on Thursday morning" be struck out, and the words "as soon as practicable" substituted.

The amendment being proposed, was carried on a division.

The Warden presented a Communication from County Solicitor, accompanied by the Report of Grand Jury, which was read to the Council.

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Mr. Buchner gives notice, that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a By-Law, to close up and convey to Luther Boardman, the side line between lots two and three in the Fourth Concession of the Township of Crowland.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Cruickshank,

That Report of Finance Committee, to whom was referred Petition of Lanty S. Lundy, at last Session, be received and read.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Cruickshank,

That Report of Finance Committee, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pringle, and seconded by Mr. Metler,

That the Communication of Mr. Grant, relating to certain charges of irregularity against Mr. Ball, the County Public School Inspector, be considered by this Council on Thursday morning, and that the Clerk receive it as an instruction to notify Mr. Ball and Mr. Grant to present themselves before this Board on that day.

The motion proposed to the Council was carried without a division.

Mr. Smith presented Report of Local Committee on Roads and Committee on Roads and Committee on Roads and Bridges. Bridges for Crowland and Willoughby, which was read to the Council.

Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the Report just read be adopted.

Moved by Mr Garner, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That, inasmuch as the Town of Welland has made a demand on this County for the sum of \$2,000, towards payment for building of Bridge crossing the River Welland, at Welland: therefore, be it resolved that the Warden be, and is hereby instructed to obtain the best legal opinion available in regard thereto, and lay the same before this Council as soon as practicable. Carried.

Mr. Ramsden presented Report from Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Humberstone and Bertie, which was read to the Council.

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Report on Bridges

Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Baker,

That the Report just read be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

That the Warden do cause a statement to be laid before this Council, shewing the amount of money on hand; the amount of Assessment paid in by each Municipality during the year, and also the amounts yet to be paid, and the probable amount that will be received from the Government for the Administration of Criminal Carried. Justice.

Moved by Mr. Furry, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the first Report of the Local Committee on Roads and Bridges between Crowland and Humberstone, be received and read.

Report read in pursuance of the motion.

Moved by Mr. Furry, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the Report just read be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Damude,

That the first Report of Local Committee on Town Line between Pelham and Thorold be received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Damude,

Carried. That the Report just read be adopted.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Page, (pursuant to notice given at June session),

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to stop up and sell a certain road allowance of the Township of Thorold, accompanied by a certified Copy of By-Law No. 5 of that Township, and beg to submit the same herewith, and that the same be received, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Page,

That the Bill to confirm By-Law No. 5 of the Township of Thorold be read a first time. Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Page,

That the Bill to confirm By-Law No. 5 of the Township of Thorold be read a second time. Carried.

Bill read a second time in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Page,

That the Bill be not now committed, but that the same be read a third time, forthwith; that it do pass, be signed and sealed as Bin Passed. required by law, and that its title be as in the Bill. Carried.

By Law read a third time and passed, entitled, "A By-Law to confirm By-Law No. 5 of the Township of Thorold."

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report of the Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Bertie and Humberstone be received and read. Carried.

Report of Road and Bridges for Bertie and Humberstone be received and read.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report of the Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Bertie and Humberstone, just read, be adopted. Carried.

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SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, December 17th, 1879.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9 o'clock a.m.

The Warden in the Chair.

Members present-Messrs. Baker, Buchner, Burgar, Coulson, Cruickshank, Damude, Dancan, Furry, Garner, Hooker, Lattimore, Law, Lee, Metler, Page, Pringle, Ramsden, and Smith-18.

The minutes of yesterday were read by the Clerk, and approved by the Council.

The Warden presented Communication from the Welland Fire Company, asking a grant to said Company. Welland Fire Company.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Coulson,

That the Road and Bridge Committee be, and are hereby appointed to act in conjunction with the Committee appointed by County of Lincoln in reference to Bridge at De Cew Falls, as requested in Com-De Cew Falls Bridge. munication from County of Lincoln, dated 28th November. 1879, to this Council. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Smith,

That the first Report of Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Bertie and Willoughby be received and read. Carried. Road & Bridge Report.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

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That the Report just read be adopted. Carried.

By permission, the Gaol Committee were allowed to retire.

Moved by Mr. Pringle, seconded by Mr Furry,

That the Report of Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Road & Bridge Committee.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Pringle, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report of the Local Committee on Roads and Bridges just read be adopted. Carried.

The Warden presented Report from William Ingram, Overseer of Report County Drains.

Moved by Mr. Furry, seconded by Mr. Smith,

That the Report of William Ingram be referred to Marsh Lands Committee. Carried.

The Warden presented Report of County Treasurer, pursuant to Financial Report.

Resolution of yesterday, as to Finances.

The Reeve of Humberstone presented Report re New Road.

Humberstone Road.

Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report of Reeve and Deputy-Reeve of Humberstone, re New Road on West side of Canal, be received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Report Read

Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report, just fead, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the first Report of Local Committee for Humberstone and Wainfleet on Bridge on Town Line between Humberstone and Wainfleet, be received and read. Carried.

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Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Furry,

Report Adopted.

That the Report on Town Line Bridge just read be adopted.

Carried.

Moved by Mr. Coulson, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

Gaol Committee Report.

That the first Report of Gaol Committee be received and read.

Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Coulson, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

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The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warder left the Chair.

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SECOND DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock p.m., the Council resumed.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Garner,

That this Council petition the Attorney-General of Ontario to make provision by Statute, or otherwise, for the conveying of convicts to the Reformatory and the Provincial Penitentiary from the several County Goals of the Province on some economical plan, similar to the existing practice of conveying prisoners to the Central Prison in Toronto; and that the Warden and Clerk sign the same, on behalf of this Council, and attach the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried.

Petition to Ontario Government.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the first Report of the Local Committee on Roads and Bridges Road & Bridge for Crowland and Thorold be received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the Report, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the first Report of Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges be received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Furry,

That the Report, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Coulson, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

That, whereas the several members of the County Council of the County of Welland, in Council assembled, coincide with the prayer of the petition of Timothy J. Hixon, Esq., and twenty-two other Justices the Peace, in and for the said County of Welland, praying His Excellency the Governor-General, in consideration of the youth of one Frederick Coleman, and also for other valid reasons, to shorten his term of imprisonment; Be it, therefore, resolved—That it be an instruction, on the part of this Council, to the Warden and Clerk, to sign the said petition, and attach the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried,

In pursuance of Resolution, the Warden and Clerk signed the said petition, and caused the Corporate Seal to be attached.

Moved by Mr. Hooker, seconded by Mr. Burgar,

That, whereas the County of Welland derives certain benefits from the existence of a Fire Brig de in Welland, by reduction in rate of insurance on County Buildings and by use of engine; Be it, therefore insurance —That this Council do grant Merritt Fire Company the sum of fifty dollars, and that the Warden is hereby authorized to issue his cheque for such amount in favor of the Captain of said Company, Carried.

Motion re Welland Fire Brigade.

Petition to Governor-Gene.

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Coleman.

Mr. Coleman, upon retiring from Council Chamber, expressed his thanks to Council for signing the petition, and attaching the Corporate Seal.

Moved by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Smith,

Road & Bridge Report. That the first Report of Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Bertie and Willoughby be received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Smith,

That the Report, just read, be adopted. Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Garner,

That the first Report of Committee on Marsh Lands be received Marsh Lands Committee's Report.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Garner,

That the first Report of Committee on Marsh Lands, just read, be Report Adopted. Carried.

Upon request of Mr. Lee, the Report of County Engineer, upon Daly Ditch. Daly Ditch, was read to the Council.

By request, Mr. Ross was heard at the Bar of the Council, in reference to supposed cost of completion of the Daly Ditch.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

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THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, December 18th, 1879.

Council met, in pursuance to adjournment, at 9 o'clook a.m.

The Warden in the Chair.

Members present—Messrs. Baker, Buchner, Burgar, Coulson, Cruickshank, Damude, Duncan, Frazer, Furry, Garner, Hooker, Johnston, Lattimore, Law, Lee, Metler, Page, Pringle, Ramsden, and Smith—20.

The minutes of yesterday were read by the Clerk, and approved by the Council.

Sir Chas. Tupper's Visit. The Warden announced to the Council that Sir Charles Tupper was expected to visit the Town of Welland, and if Council considered it advisable, a Deputation could be appointed to wait upon the Minister, and convey to him the wants of the County as to enlargement of Culverts, Drainage, Erection of Bridge across Canal at 4th Concession, Humberstone.

Report on Marsh Lands. The Warden presented Report of County Clerk, pursuant to Resolution, in reference to Marsh Lands.

Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Page,

Deputation to Meet Minister of Public Works. That the following named gentlemen be appointed as a deputation from this Council, namely, Messrs, Hooker, Lee, and Frazer, to meet and confer with Sir Charles Tupper, Minister of Public Works, in

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Befor County and the regard to several matters pertaining to the interest of this County, in case that he visits Welland to-day, and will receive the said deputa-Carried. tion.

Pursuant to Resolution, the gentlemen composing the deputation, were allowed to retire, information having been received that Sir Charles Tupper had arrived by special train.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Cruickshank,

That the second Report of Standing. Committee on Finance be received and read. Carried.

Report read, in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Cruickshank,

That the second Report of Standing Committee on Finance, just Committee on Finance Report. read, be adopted. Carried.

The Warden presented Communication from F. Swayze, Chairman of Public School Board, asking that a sum be granted to Model School under Cap. 16, Sec. 17 of 1877.

Grant to Model School.

Moved by Mr. Burgar, seconded by Mr. Law,

That the Communication from F. Swayze and from County of Peel be referred to Committee on Education. Carried.

The deputation appointed to wait upon the Minister of Public Works having returned, and all members being in their places,

The Warden brought before the Council, again, the Petition of Public School Teachers, containing charges against the County Inspector. Inspector of Schools, pursuant to resolution passed 16th inst.

By permission of Council, Mr. Bell appeared at the Bar of Council to answer charges against him.

Also did Mr. Grant, in support of the charges.

Before conclusion of remarks in reference to charges against County Inspector had concluded, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Warden left the Chair.

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THIRD DAY -AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock p.m. the Council resumed,

The matter of County Inspector being again considered,

Discussion on County School Inspector.

Mr. Grant addressing the Council, also Mr. Morris, of Stamford, also Mr. Bridgeman and others; and a lengthy discussion arose, wherein most of Councillors engaged.

It was moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr, Buchner,

That this Council have heard the statement of Mr Ball, County Inspector, and also Mr. Grant, and others; that, while they deprecate the ill-feelings that have been engendered through some difference of opinion in regard to the County Teachers' Association, yet as there have been no complaints against Mr. Ball in his official capacity as County Inspector, this Council is of the opinion that it will be best for them not to interfere in the matter, and express the hope that a better understanding may be arrived at between the parties interested.

The motion being proposed to the Council,

Moved by Mr. Pringle, seconded by Mr. Metler, in amendment,

That, whereas this Council expends annually a large sum of money to promote the educational interests of this County; and, whereas, a considerable portion of that expenditure is appropriated to the payment of a County Inspector; and, whereas it has been made to appear to this Council that Mr. Ball, the said Public School Inspector, has neglected and refused to recognize the Teachers' Association of

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this County; has retained the money belonging to the Association, and refused to pay the Bills incurred by said Association; and, whereas the said Inspector has used influence with certain teachers to oppose the Association; and, whereas this Council considers such a course on the part of Mr. Ball is highly prejudicial to the Educational interest entrusted to him; Be it, therefore, resolved-That the Inspector receive it as an instruction from this Council to pay all money belonging to the Teachers of this County into the hands of the Treasurer elected in October, A.D., 1878, within one week; make ample apology to the officers of the said Association within the same time, and in case he declines to comply with the said request, that he be requested to place his resignation in the hands of the Warden.

The amendment being proposed to the Council,

Moved by Dr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Frazer, in amendment to Amendment to the amendment,

That this discussion be adjourned to this day week.

The amendment to the amendment, being proposed, was lost on a Lost. division.

During a further discussion, upon the amendment being again proposed, the hour of adjournment arrived. The Warden left the Chair.

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FOURTH DAY-MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, December 19th, 1879.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock a.m.

The Warden in the Chair.

·Members present—Messrs. Buchner, Burgar, Coulson, Cruickshank, Damude, Duncan, Frazer, Furry, Garner, Hooker, Johnston, Lattimore Law, Lee, Metler, Page, Pringle, and Ramsden-18.

The minutes of yesterday were read by the Clerk, and approved by the Council.

Pringle's Amendment.

The Warden announced to the Council that Mr. Pringle's amendment to Mr. Buchner's motion in reference to the County Inspector, laid over from yesterday's session, was now before the Council.

Moved by Dr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Frazer, in amendment to the amendment,

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That, whereas certain Committees are prepared to report; and, whereas to act on these Reports will expedite business before Council; therefore, be it resolved-That the Reports of Committees be now considered.

The amendment to the amendment, being proposed, was lost on a division.

Mr. Pringle's amendment being again proposed,

Mr. Bali asked permission to address the Council in reference to the amendment, as also did many of the members of Council; also, by permission, did Mr. Simpson and Mr. Cornforth, of Thorold, address the Council in support of Mr. Ball.

During the discussion, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Warden left the Chair.

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FOURTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock p.m. the Council resumed.

Mr. Pringle's amendment being again proposed, it was

Moved by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Furry, in amendment to the amendment.

That all in the original amendment, after the word "Whereas" be expunged, and the following inserted: "Whereas this Council expends annually a large sum of money to promote the educational interests of this County; and, whereas a considerable amount of that expenditure is appropriated to the payment of a County Inspector; and, whereas it has been made to appear to this Council that Mr. Ball, the said Public School Inspector, has neglected and refused to recognize the Teachers' Association of this County for 1878, and has retained the money belonging to the Association, and refused to pay the Bills incurred by said Association; and, whereas the Council consider such a course on the part of Mr. Ball is prejudicial to the Educational interest entrusted to him; Be it, therefore, resolved-That the Inspector receives it as an instruction from this Council to pay over all moneys belonging to the Teachers' Association of this County it the hands of the Treasurer elected in October, A.D., 1878, within one week from the passing hereof, and in case he declines to comply with said request, the t the Warden do call a meeting of this Council."

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Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Law,

Report of County Clerk re Marsh Lands.

That the Report of County Clerk re Marsh Lands be received and printed. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Mr. Burgar,

Committee on Finance Report. That the third Report of the Committee on Finance be received and read. Carried.

Report read, in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Mr. Burgar,

Report Adopt-

That the third Report of the Committee on Finance, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Furry,

Warden instructed to Correspond with Sir Chas Tupper regarding Hum berstone Bridge.

That the Warden be, and he is hereby instructed by this Council to correspond with Sir Charles Tupper, Minister of Railways and Canals, calling his attention to several Memorials passed at different times by this Council in regard to the construction of a new Bridge across the Welland Canal, at the 4th Concession, in the Township of Humberstone; and give that Honorable Gentleman the dates at which the said Memorials were passed. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Pringle,

Report on Edu-

That the Report of Standing Committee on Education be received and read. Carried.

Report read, in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Dr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Pringle,

Motion to Adopt Report. That the first Report of the Standing Committee on Education, just read, be adopted.

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Which motion, being proposed to the Council, was lost on a Lost. division.

The original motion for the adoption of the Report being again Motion carried . proposed, was carried without a division.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Frazer,

That the second Report of the Committee on Marsh Lands be Marsh Lands. received and read. Carried.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Frazer,

That the second Report of the Committee on Marsh Lands, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Frazer,

That the Report of Deputation appointed by resolution of Council, to wait on Sir Charles Tupper, Minister of Railways and Canals, on matters in which this County is interested, be received and read. Carried.

Report of Deputation to interview Sir Chas Tupper.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Frazer,

That the Report of Deputation, just read, be adopted. Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

That the Report of Committee on Town Line Road between Thorold and Stamford be received and read. Carried.

Town Line Report.

Report read in pursuance of motion.

Moved by Mr. Damude, seconded by Mr. Duncan,

That the Report of Local Committee on Town Line for Thorold and Stamford, just read, be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Frazer,

Motion in re Council of Northumberland & Durham. That this Council regrets that it is unable to concur with the request of the Council of Northumberland and Durham, as to the appointment of County Board of Audit. Carried.

Petition of Teachers recounty School In spector.

Mr. Ball, County Inspector of Schools, requested that the petition of the Teachers of the County, submitted and read by him to Council at yesterday's Session, be filed with proceedings of Council.

The business of the Session being now finished, it was

Moved by Mr. Page, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That the Warden do now leave the Chair, and that Mr. Lee do take the same. Carried.

Pursuant to the motion, the Chair was taken by Mr. Lee.

Moved by Mr. Page, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

Vote of thanks to Warden.

That the thanks of this Council be tendered to Edwin Hershey, Esquire, for the very courte as officient, and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Council for the present year. Carried.

The Chairman, in a few appropriate terms, conveyed to Mr. Hershey the thanks of the Council, as expressed in motion just passed, after which

The Warden resumed the Chair, and thanked the Council, in a few well timed remarks, for the consideration conveyed to him by the Council in the vote of thanks just passed.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Buchner,

That this Council do now adjourn. Carried.

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In pursuance of the motion, the Council adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

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BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW NO. 418 TO CONFIRM BY-LAW NO. 50 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF THOROLD.

CHAPTER CCCCXIII.

A By-Law for stopping up and conveyance of the original road allowance in the Township of Thorold, between Lots 39 on the South and 57 on the North.

Whereas, In the opinion of the Municipal Council of the Township of Thorold, the original road allowance above described, and lying between the lands owned by Drayton Summers,

And the said Council having received a petition signed by the said Drayton Summers and fifteen others of the adjoining farmers in the neighborhood, for the stopping up of the said original road allowance, and of the conveying of the same to the said Drayton Summers in lieu of a given road by him through his Lot No. 39,

And whereas, this Council has received a certificate from Edward Joseph Berryman, of St. Catharines, a Provincial Land Surveyor of this Province, stating that he has examined the given road at the South end of Lot 39 and finds it sufficient for the purpose of a public highway, and also that the lawful notices have been given by the Clerk of this Council for the stopping up of the said original road allowance and of conveying the same to the said Drayton Summers in lieu of said given road,

ist. Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Township of Thorold constituted and assembled under and by the authority of the Municipal Laws of the Province of Ontario, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same that the original road allowance herebefore mentioned be stopped up and conveyed to the said Drayton Summers in lieu of the said given road.

2nd. Be it further enacted that the expenses of the giving of the notices, survey and conveyancing of the said original road allowances shall be paid by the party petitioning for and receiving the same, and the Reeve is hereby authorized to execute such deed, as may be necessary for the conveyance of the said lands on behalf of this Corporation.

Read a first, second and third time, and passed the Council, this Twenty-Seventh day of May, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Nine, signed and sealed according to law.

I hereby certify that the within is a true Copy of the original By-Law, above cited.

Signed, PHILIP S. MUSSEN, Township Clerk.

And whereas the said Corporation of the Township of Thorold, by their petition now before this Council, prayed that the said By-Law be confirmed; And, who requirement in so far as the Townsl

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And, whereas it appears to the satisfaction of this Council that the requirements of the law in relation thereto have been complied with, in so far as necessary by, and on the part of the said Corporation of the Township of Thorold;

Be it, therefore, enacted by the Corporation of the County of Welland, and it is hereby enacted, that the said By-Law of the said Corporation of the Township of Thorold passed on the Twenty-Seventh day of May, 1879, is hereby confirmed and declared to have full force and effect, from and after the passing thereof.

Passed, in Council, this 16th day of December, A.D., 1879.

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EDWIN HERSHEY, Warden,

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Report of Special Committees.

REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS & BRIDGES BETWEEN HUMBERSTONE AND CROWLAND.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Crowland and Humberstone beg to Report that the bridge on the Town Line between Crowland and Humberstone, on the West side of the Canal was in a very dangerous condition.

Your Committee deemed it advisable to have the bridge re-built, and let the contract to Mr. Albert Hanna, at a cost of twenty-five dollars.

Also that they found it necessary to repair the Lyon's Creek Bridge, on the Town Line, at a cost of five dollars and fifty cents—repairs being made by Mr. Wilson Griffith.

Your Committee would recommend that the above amounts be paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, ELISHA FURRY WM. BUCHNER.

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FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES BETWEEN CROWLAND AND WILLOUGHBY.

Your Committee beg to Report that they found it necessary to expend the following amounts in Bridges on Town Line between Crowland and Willoughby:

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, WM. BUCHNER.
" JAMES SMITH.

Council Room, Welland, Dec. 16th, 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR HUMBERSTONE AND WAINFLEET.

To the Warden and Councillors for the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

Your Committee beg to Report that owing to improvement being made on the Engle Marsh Drain in Humberstone and Wainfleet, it was found necessary to take up and rebuild the Bridge on Town Line between Humberstone and Wainfleet, for which a contract was let to Andrew Widrich for \$29.00. The Bridge is completed, and your Committee recommend the Warden's cheque being issued in favor of Andrew Widrich for said sum of \$29.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, EDWARD LEE, "ELISHA FURRY.

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REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES BETWEEN HUMBERSTONE AND BERTIE.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridge for Humberstone and Bertie beg leave to submit this their Report,

Your Committee were notified that a New Bridge was require i on the Town Line between Humberstone and Bertie, between first and second concessions.

Your Committee accordingly visited the said road, and found it necessary, in the interest of the travelling public, to construct a new bridge, and placed the work in the hands of Mr. Andrew Zavitz, for the sum of forty-five dollars, which your Committee would recommend to be paid, as the work has been satisfactorily completed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, J. A. RAMSDEN, " LEVI BAKER.

Council Room, Welland, Dec. 16th, 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR BERTIE AND WILLOUGHBY.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Bertie and Willoughby beg leave to report,

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That in building stone wall to protect approach to Black Creek Bridge, your Committee became indebted to So'omon Beam to the amount of ten dollars.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that the Warden do issue his cheque in favor of Mr. Beam for the above mentioned amount.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, JAMES SMITH.
" LEVI BAKER.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 17th, 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR PELHAM AND THOROLD.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council , assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Pelham and Thorold beg leave to Report that said Committee met at the Bridge near Haney's Mill, St. Johns, and examined the same. They found it in an unsafe condition and not worth repairing. Your Committee decided to build a new bridge. They let the contract to Ezra Oill for the sum of \$40.00. The bridge has been completed.

Your Committee also found two bridges out of repair on the same road, near Mr. McKinley's. They let the job of repairing the same to Mr. McKinley for the sum of \$16.00. The bridges have been repaired. Your Committee recommend that the Warden do issue his cheque for the above amounts.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Warden do issue his cheque in favor of George H. Brown for the sum of \$5.33, it being for plank and labor on bridge on said Town Line.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, JOSEPH GARNER, "JOHN J. DAMUDE.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 16th, 1879.

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FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR THOROLD AND CROWLAND.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for the Townships of Thorold and Crowland beg leave to submit this their report:

Your Committee were notified that the Chippawa Bridge at Port Robinson was in a dangerous state. We examined the same and found it necessary in the interests of the travelling public to have the same repaired.

| Your Committee ordered from J. Crow 1400 ft. of plank at \$12.00\$1 | 6,80 |
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| at \$12.00 | 1.50 |
| Carriage For labor in putting down plank and for spikes by Mr. Scott | 7.00 |

Your Committee would recommend payment being the amount yet unpaid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, JOHN J. DAMUDE, "WM. BUCHNER.

Council Chamber, Welland, 27th Dec., 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—THOROLD AND STAMFORD.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

The Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for Thorold and Stamford beg leave to submit this their first Report.

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Your Committee would recommend that the following account be received and paid, to the amount of \$2.00 to John Allison, for three sticks of timber and repairs of Township Line Bridge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, JOHN J. DAMUDE, "GEO. J. DUNCAN.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 19, 1879.

REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR HUMBERSTONE AND PORT COLBORNE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

GENTLEMEN,-

Your Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for the Municipalities of Humberstone and Port Colborne beg to submit that, agreeably to a Resolution passed in the June Session of this Council, three substantial Bridges upon the boundary lines between the said Municipalities have been constructed at a cost of \$178.23, duly certified by the undersigned, and paid by Warden's cheque on the County Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, W. B. PRINGLE, ELISHA FURRY.

Council Chamber, Welland, December 17th, 1879.

REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR THE TOWNSHIPS OF BERTIE AND HUMBERSTONE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

Your Committee beg to report that they were notified of the dangerous state of Burgar's Bridge on Town Line between the Municipalities above referred to, and in accordance with said notification proceeded to make an examination of the same, together with another small bridge in the immediate vicinity, to which the attention of your Committee was drawn.

After an examination of the two bridges, it was thought advisable to let the contract to rebuild the same to Philip Carriger for the sum of sixty dollars, and your Committee beg to further report the work completed in a satisfactory manner, and recommend that the Warden be authorized to issue a cheque in favor of Mr. Carriger for the sum of \$60.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, EDWIN HERSHEY, "ELISHA FURRY.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 16th, 1879.

REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES FOR THE TOWNSHIPS OF BERTIE AND WILLOUGHBY.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee beg to report that, upon receiving notice of the dangerous state of two bridges upon the Town Line, between the above mentioned municipalities, they made an examination of the said bridges at once, and considered it advisable to let the contract to rebuild them. John A. Haun's tender of \$90 being the lowest, he was awarded the contract, and completed the same speedily, and to the entire satisfaction of your committee. We, therefore, recommend payment of contract price, also that the Warden be authorized to issue a cheque in favor of Mr. Haun for the amount.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed. EDWIN HERSHEY, " JAMES SMITH.

Council Room, Welland, Dec. 17th, 1879.

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Report of Standing Committees.

FIRST REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee were notified that the bridge on County Line between Lincoln and Welland near Attercliffe, known as Big Creek Bridge was unsafe.

Your Committee met with the Committee from the County of Lincoln. The joint Committees found the Bridge very much out of repair, so much so that they decided to build a new Bridge. The building of the Bridge was sold or let by auction to the lowest bidder, Mr. James Sensabaugh, for the sum of \$87.

The Bridge has been built and your Committee would recommend that a cheque be issued in favor of James Sensabaugh for the sum of \$43.50, it being one-half the cost of the Bridge, the County of Lincoln paying a like sum.

Your Committee also, together with the Lincoln Committee, let to James Rice the repairing of Wellandport Bridge, for the sum of \$52. We would recommend that a cheque be issued in favor of James Rice

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Your Committee would also recommend that the Warden issue his his cheque in favor of T. H. Allen, for the sum of \$10, it being for plank for Chippawa Bridge. Also in favor of A. Herbold, for \$5.80, it being for bolts, spikes, and repairing same Bridge.

Your Committee were notified that the bridge, known as O'Rielly's, was in a dangerous condition. Your Committee examined it, and found it unsafe. Your Committee came to the conclusion that a part of the bridge would answer for a few years, We received Tenders for a new centre Bent and repairing the rest of the bridge. Mr. Edward Leader's Tender was for the sum of \$1,076. Mr. Thomas Ray's Tender was for the sum of \$897.81. Mr. Ray's Tender was accepted. Mr. Ray commenced taking the bridge down, and found the timbers so much more decayed than was expected, that he notified the Committee to meet at the Bridge. Your Committee met, and after carefully examining the timber, thought it advisable to rebuild the whole Bridge. The work was again re-let to Mr. Ray for the sum of \$1,300, your Committee also to pay for what new covering it required, and also the boards in side walls -the same to be measured in the Bridge, which will probably cost some \$50 or \$60. The Bridge has been shortened one bent, said span to be filled up with earth. The job was let to Mr. Egeter for the sum of \$45.00. The Bridge and earth work are nearly completed. Mr. Ray has been paid the sum of \$800. Your Committee would recommend that so soon as the above work is completed to the satisfaction of the Committee, the Warden do issue his cheque in favor of the above named persons for the amount required to pay for the said work.

Your Committee are of opinion that it would be to the interest of the County to have the Bridge painted and therefore would recommend that they be allowed to have two coats of paint put on the Bridge.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Warden do issue his cheque in favor of A. Herbold, for the sum of \$50, for swinging the Chippawa Bridge. Your Committee also let to Solomon

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We also, the same day let to Mr. A. Abbey the repairing of Montrose Bridge, for the sum of \$15. The work has been done and we would recommend that a cheque be issued for the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, A. LATTIMORE, JOSEPH GALNER, ELISHA FURRY, JAMES SMITH.

Council Room, Welland, December 17, 1879.

REPORT OF WILLIAM INGRAM, OVERSEER OF DRAINS.

County of Welland, in account with Wm. Ingram, Overseer of County Drains:

1879.

I would beg leave to Report that I have inspected the Daly Ditch, and find the work only partly done, but what is completed is well done. I also find that the main drain along lots 20, 21 and 22 is partly filled up, preventing the water running off. The ditch near the new

culvert, on the main canal, near Humberstone, would now, since the construction of the new culvert by the Board of Works, if properly cleaned out, drain a quantity of land to the extent of 300 acres, rendering the same dry and saleable.

I also beg to Report that I notified Mr. Bodwell, Canal Superintendent, that the Brown Culvert, on the Feeder, wanted cleaning out badly. I further notified him that the West Culvert, near Marshville was entirely stopped up, and the other badly obstructed, but he has, as yet, paid no attention to the matter.

I am, Gentlemen,
Yours, &c.,
WILLIAM INGRAM,
Overseer of County Drains,

FIRST REPORT OF MARSH LANDS COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee regret being obliged to report that David Campbell, who had a contract for widening and deepening Daly Ditch for a bulk sum of \$2,500, and an additional grant of \$500, made by your Honorable Council on the 20th of December, 1878, worked on said ditch the greater part of last winter, and continued so to work up till about the 10th of Sept. last, when he stopped the work, said Campbell giving as a reason for quitting the work, that if he could not get money to pay the men he could not proceed with the work. Your Committee, on the other hand, while wishing to give every encouragement to Mr. Campbell, did not think it in the interest of the County

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The total amount paid Mr. Campbell, on account of his contract is \$2,065,00.

The total amount of work done by Campbell, as per estimate by H. T. Ross, Esq., County Engineer, at original contract price of 9 2-5th cents per cubic yard, amounts to \$1,599.67; to this add 1-5th as proportion of the \$500 increase authorized by the Council to amount of work done, \$319.93, makes a total of Campbell's work, as estimated, at \$1,919.60, which sum deducted from amount paid, \$2,065, shows that Campbell has overdrawn his total estimate by \$145.40.

When Campbell gave up the work, your Committee, not having special authority from your Honorable Council in such case, did not deem it advisable to re-let the work, but leave the matter with your Honorable Council for such further action as they consider expedient and just.

Herewith we submit the report and estimate of H. T. Ross, Esq. County Engineer on said work: and recommend the same being printed in proceedings of Council for future reference. After Campbell, gave up his contract, your Committee made necessary enquiry as to Campbell's ability to pay the penalty in his bond, but found that any expense incurred in relation therewith, would be so much lost, consequently the matter dropped.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, EDWARD LEE, Chairman,

- EDWIN HERSHEY,
- " JOSEPH GARNER,
 " JOHN A. RAMSDEN.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 17th, 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF GAOL COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee having examined the South Wing of the Gaol in regard to repairs necessary, as recommended by the Judge and Grand Jury of last Sessions, held in this County, cannot recommend any repairs being done in that Ward. They consider it as unsafe, and are of opinion that it would be money thrown away to do any repairs on said Wing, but would recommend your Committee be empowered to get estimates, &c., for rebuilding the interior and bolting the outer walls, and to report to the Council at January Session. The work of tearing down and removing rubbish from interior walls, &c., could be done by prison labor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, JOHN COULSON,

GEO. J. DUNCAN, JOSEPH GARNER,

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Council Chamber, Welland. Dec. 17th, 1879.

SECOND REPORT OF MARSH LANDS COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee beg to report the following:

That at a meeting held in the office of the County Clerk, he was instructed by your Committee to take definite action in regard to collections on County Mortgages. Notices under power of sale have been served upon 24 or 25 of the mortagors and declarations of service made, and when sufficient time has elapsed under the condition con-

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tained in mortgage, the County will be in a position to sell either by private or public sale, unless in the meantime satisfactory payments are made. Some mortgages have been paid in full, others have been paid in part, some to apply on principal, and some on interest.

The total amount received since action was taken by the Clerk on behalf of your Committee, amounts to upwards of \$5,000.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that energetic measures be taken in the future to carry out the action already inaug-Unless such measures be adopted, the expenditures made in serving notices and preparing papers will be quite a loss to the County. Your Committee believe that in the past, many of the parties have been shown too much leniency.

The work of the County Clerk in preparing notices of power of sale in duplicate, declaration of service made, several days spent in serving notices, and expenses attending such work, has been very considerable, and your Committee beg to recommend that the Warden be authorized to issue his cheque in favo. of Mr. Page for the sum of Thirty Dollars, in payment for such services rendered.

Your Committee would further recommend that the Warden be authorized to issue his cheque in favor of Henry T. Ross for the sum of Forty-Eight Dollars and two cents, to cover three different accounts for services rendered in connection with the Daly Ditch ealargement, which several accounts have already been paid by the Treasurer on the order of the Chairman of your Committee. And your Committee beg, likewise, further to recommend that the report of Mr. Ingram, Overseer of County Drains, be referred back to the said Overseer, with an instruction that he has exceeded his duty in reporting upon matters not within his province.

Your Committee beg likewise to recommend that previous to the allowing of Mr. Ingram's account accompanying this report, he be required to furnish a statement, in detail, of services rendered by him, and charged against the County in the said report,

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, EDWARD LEE, Chairman,

- EDWIN HERSHEY,
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Council Room, Welland, Dec. 18th, 1879.

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THIRD REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Standing Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report, recommending the payment of the following account: S. R. Girven, making and repairing Registry boxes, \$14.50.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, GEORGE J. DUNCAN,
EDWIN HERSHEY,
ERNEST CRUICKSHANK,
J. H. BURGAR,
JOHN A. LAW.

Council Room, Welland, December 19, 1879.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE, RE L. S. LUNDY.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

In accordance with Resolution of Council, June session, the Committee on Finance met in the office of the County Clerk to consider the petition, hear the evidence, and examine into the claim of Lanty S. Lundy, Esquire, for reimbursement in the sum of \$178 56c, being taxes, interest and legal expenses incurred, in order to recover possession of north half of lot 9, in block N, in the Town of Clifton, sold by the Sheriff to Mr. Lundy for arrears of taxes.

Your Committee find that the Treasurer of Clifton gave a vague de scription of Lot in the return to the County Treasurer, and that the

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C. D. Burga Geo. Cronn County Treasurer of that time made an error in copying that description, and they further find that the deed given by the Sheriff did not correspond with the description of lot sold. Also, that lot sold was not in arrears for taxes.

Your Committee, after duly considering the matter, obtained the opinion of the County Solicitor, to the following effect, viz.:

That the County is in no way responsible to Mr. Lundy, in respect to law costs incurred, or as to sum received at time of sale.

Signed, GEO. J. DUNCAN,

" EDWIN HERSHEY,
" C. St. G. YARWOOD.

" ERNEST CRUICKSHANK.

J. H. BURGAR,

" LEVI BAKER.

Committee Room, Welland, Aug. 21, 1879.

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Standing Committee on Finance beg leave to submit this their second report, and recommend payment of the following accounts certified, viz.:

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, GEO. J. DUNCAN,

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" LEVI BAKER,

" JOHN A. LAW,
" J. H. BURGAR.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 18th, 1879.

FIRST REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

Your Committee on Education recommend that a grant of \$100 be made to the County Model School, and that the Warden issue his cheque in favor of F. Swayze, Esq., for that sum.

Your Committee regrets to learn that the law is not rigidly complied with in the employment of Teschers holding Certificates in said School With resp Peel, Your Council, and of Educatio Councils po and examina School.

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With respect to the Circular from the Council of the County of Peel, Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the said Council, and therefore recommend this Council to petition the Minister of Education to have the School Law so amended as to give County Councils power to impose a fee not exceeding \$15 for the attendance and examination of each Teacher in Training at any County Model School.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, ROBERT J. JOHNSTON, Chairman,

- W. B. PRINGLE,
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- " GEO. PAGE,
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Council Chamber, Dec. 18th, 1879.

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APPENDIX D.

PETITIONS.

PETITION OF THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE COUNTY OF WELLAND.

To the Warden and Municipal Council of the County of Welland in Council assembled.

The Petition of the Teachers' Association of the County of Welland

HUMBLY SHEWETH-

That, whereas the Public School Teachers of the County having formed themselves into an Association in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Act, for the purpose of mutual improvement, and making themselves more efficient in the discharge of their duties as Teachers;

And, whereas the County Inspector of Public Schools, an officer who holds his appointment from your Honorable Body, has it in his power, in his official capacity to materially aid or prevent the usefulness of said Association;

And, whereas the present County Inspector refuses to acknowledge the regularly elected officers of said Association, and has used his influence to raise a feeling throughout the County in opposition thereto; And, who of the Assomonious we

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And, whereas he has repeatedly refused to confer with the officers of the Association, and has refused all offers tending toward the harmonious working of the same;

And, whereas he has introduced discord amongst the Teachers of the County, by holding meetings throughout the County in opposition to the regular Association;

And, whereas he did not attend the regular meeting of the Association, held in the Town of Thorold, in June last, so that he might report on the efficiency of the same to the Honorable the Minister of Education, as he is required to do by the School Act, and thereby depriving the Association of the Legislative grant of fifty dollars per annum in aid of the same;

And, whereas he abandoned the Association at its meeting in October, 1878, by absenting himself from the room at the time of the Election of Officers;

And, whereas he refuses to pay over to the proper officers of the Association the balance of the funds of the same which he acknowledges he has in his hands, and also refuses to pay the just debts of the Association;

And, whereas he has refused to submit the accounts of the Association, whilst he was President of the same, or since his retirement from the office, to the regularly elected Auditors of the Association, but has sent a financial statement, without a legal audit, to the Minister of Education, which statement was refused at the Department and returned by the Deputy-Minister to be signed and approved by the Auditors of the Association, who have never been allowed the opportunity of examining the same,

Your Petitioners, therefore, as the legal representatives of the Association, humbly pray that your Honorable Body will take the matter into consideration, and as it is of grave public interest, and materially affecting the Educational Institutions of the County, we trust that your Honorable Body will give it that attention which it deserves, and take such action as you in your wisdom may deem for the best inter-

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And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Signed, on behalf of the Association,

ROBERT GRANT, President, M. W. BRIDGEMAN, Sec, Treas.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1879.

PETITION OF WELLAND FIRE COMPANY.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council assembled :

The Petition of the undersigned

SHEWETH-

That we, the Captain and Members of the Welland Fire Brigade of the Town of Welland, respectfully ask that your Honorable Council would be pleased to grant us such a sum of money as you in your wisdom may think proper, to assist in defraying the expenses of said Fire Company,

Signed, JAMES BRIDGES,

Captain.

Welland, December 17, 1879.

PETITION RE JAMES H. BALL.

To James H. Ball, M. A., County Inspector of the County of Welland.

DEAR SIR,-

We the undersigned teachers of the County of Welland have heard with regret that certain teachers of the Town of Welland have appear-

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have heard ave appeared before the County Council of this County, complaining of your action in connection with the County Teachers' Association. We declare the action of the said teachers to be unauthorized by us, and to be in direct opposition to our wishes and interest.

We further declave that the said teachers are not the representatives of the County Teachers' Association, and that they in no way possess the confidence of the teachers of this County.

We further declare that your action in connection with the said Teachers' Association was throughout approved by those possessing our confidence, and is approved by us, and is in complete harmony with our interests and wishes.

We desire also to add the we are well satisfied with the manner in which you have so far discharged your duties as Inspector, and regret that teachers not under your jurisdiction should seek to cause your removal from office, who have always been courteous, kind and useful to us in the discharge of our duties as teachers of this County.

In the event of further complaints being made to our County Council by the teachers above referred to, we beg that you will produce this before the said Council in testimony of our wishes.

Thorold, November 28th, 1879.

Signed, JAMES II. WILSON
And 69 others.

PETITION TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO RE MODEL SCHOOL.

To the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario in Parliamnnt assembled:

The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland
HUMBLY SHEWETH—

That pupils attending the Public and High Schools in the County of Welland are educated without the imposition of fees.

That at such Schools the Second and Third Classes of Teachers are prepared for entrance to County Model School, and numbers thus educated, after having been examined and certificated, engage in other avocations and the County loses the services of those for whose education considerable sums have been expended.

That those proposing to engage in other professions, as in Surveying, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Divinity, &c., are required to provide means in order to obtain their education, and your Petitioners believe it is evident that those seeking to become Teachers, in so far as relates to Professional training at County Model Schools, and examination certification as Teachers, should be placed in a similar position to those preparing for other professional duties.

Your Petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that you will be pleased to advise that the School Law be so amended as to give permissive power to County Councils to impose a fee not exceeding Fifteen Dollars, for the attendance and examination of each Teacher, who has been in training at County Model School, before he shall be entitled to receive his certificate.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound will ever pray.

Passed in Council this 19th day of December, A. D., 1879.

Signed, J. C. PAGE, Signed, EDWIN HERSHEY, Warden.

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PETITION TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, RE SHERIFF'S FEES.

To the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, in Parliament Assembled:

The Petition of the County Council of the County of Welland,

HUMBLY SHEWETH,-

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That the expense connected with each prisoner sent from this County to the Penitentiary amounts to about seventy dollars. That your petitioners are of the opinion that if a similar plan existed as is established for conveying prisoners to the Central Prison at Toronto, the security of the prisoners so being conveyed would not be lessened and the expense connected therewith would be very much diminished.

Your petitioners, therefore, respectfully ask that such legislation may be had as will meet the requirements of the case,

And, as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

Signed, J. C. PAGE, County Clerk, EDWIN HERSHEY, Warden.

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Welland, Dec. 17th, 1879.

APPENDIX E.

COMMUNICATIONS.

RESOLUTION COUNTY LINCOLN, RE DECEW FALLS BRIDGE.

County Council, St. Catharines, November 20th, 1879.

SIR,-

I have the honor to herewith transmit a true copy of a resolution passed by the County Council of Lincoln at its present session, and to ask your Council to appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee of the County Council of Lincoln.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Signed, F. A. B. CLENCH.

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COPY OF RESOLUTION.

Moved by Ira F. Culp, and seconded by Mr. Oil'e, that Messra. Secord, Lawrie, and McLean be, and are hereby appointed, a Committee to take such action with reference to the Bridge at DeCew Falls, on the County line between the County of Lincoln and Welland as they may deem necessary and advisable, and the Clerk of this County is hereby required to ask the Council of the County of Welland to appoint a like Committee to confer with the Committee appointed by this Council, and that the Clerk send a copy of this resolution to the County Council of Welland.

True copy,

Signed, F. A. B. CLENCH.

County Clerk, Lincoln,

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CANADA SOUTHERN RAILWAY LINE.

Engineer's Office, St. Thomas, Ont.
June 24th, 1879.

J. C. PAGE, ESQ.,

County Clerk,

Welland.

DEAR SIR, -

In answer to your letter of the 15th inst., requesting Canada Southern Railway to repair Bridge on Town Line between Bertie and Willoughby, I would say, that prior to our Railroad being constructed, this Bridge was built, and I am informed, maintained ever since by the County Council. Will you please say why the Railroad Company are

now asked to do it, as the Bridge itself certainly was not built for the convenience of the Railroad. You will please answer,

And oblige,

Yours truly,

Signed, B. W. GOSSAGE, Chief Engineer.

COUNTIES OF NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM RELAW REFORM AMENDMENT ACT.

County Council Chamber, Cobourg, October 15th, 1879.

SIR,-

In order to have uniformity in the auditing of accounts preferred against Counties, under the "Law Reform Amendment Act," the Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham appointed a special Committee to confer with the Honorable the Attorney-General. At an interview had with him he was pleased to have the views of the Committee so fully expressed upon the subject of the tariff of fees chargeable against Counties and Corporations under the head of the Administration of Justice, and requested the Chairman to submit in writing the changes desired. Those were so numerous under the various heads, such as charges made by the Sheriff, County Attorney, Clerk of the Peace, Coroners' Crier and Constables, as to embrace more matter than any mere circular could contain, suffice it to say that in those enumerated a saving of at least \$500 a year would be effected in these Counties.

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Without a concerted effort and knowing the views of the other County Councils in this matter I could not prepare a suitable Tariff to lay before the executive.

I invite your co-operation and views on the subject.

Yours,

Signed, A. McNAUGHION,

Chairman Finance Committee.

To The Warden, County Welland.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS , RE SWING BRIDGE 4TH CONCESSION HUMBERSTONE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, OTTAWA, June 26th, 1879.

SIR,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated the 13th instant, relative to the advisability of constructing a Swing Bridge over the Welland Canal, in 4th Concession Humberstone, and to state that its contents have been duly noted.

Your ob't, servant,

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

J. C. PAGE, ESQ., County Clerk, Welland, Ont.

W. D. OTTER, REGRANT TO ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION,

TORONTO, 19th June, 1879.

DEAR SIR,-

I am instructed by the Council of the Ontario Rifle Association to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th instant, containing \$10.00, being contribution to the prize competition of the Association by the County Council of Welland.

I am further instructed to convey the hearty and cordial thanks of the Association to the members of the County Council for their generous aid.

I remain, dear sir,

Your obt. servant,

W. D. OTTER, Lt. Col.,

Secretary, Ontario Rifle Association.

J. C. PAGE, ESQ., County Clerk, Welland.

COMMUNICATION FROM UNITED COUNTIES NORTHUM. BERLAND AND DURHAM RE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF AUDIT.

> COUNCIL CHAMBER, Cobourg, 13th December, 1879.

SIR,-The County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham have adopted a memorial to His Excellency the Lieut.

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rthumberland y the Lieut.- Governor of Ontario, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, to request your co-operation should the change desired meet with your approval.

In these Counties it has been found that the frequent changes of auditors, by their being appointed annually, do not give them a fair opportunity of obtaining a knowlege of the accounts preferred against the counties for the administration of justice, and it is believed that if one of the auditors, possessing experience, was appointed during pleasure, he would not only establish uniformity in the audit but enable the one appointed by the County Council to gain a more thorough knowledge of the tariff of fees, and claims payable to Sheriffs, County Attorneys, Clerks of the Peace, Coroners, Surgeons, Criers and Constables.

Should the memorial meet the views of your Council, please sign the same and transmit to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours respectfully,

S. BURDEN,

Warden,

United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

To THE WARDEN
Of the County of Welland.

COMMUNICATION FROM L. D. RAYMOND.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE PEACE, Welland, 16th December, 1879.

SIR,-

Pursuant to direction of the Chairman of the General Sessions of

the Peace, I beg to enclose to you, to be laid before the County Council at the present sittings, a copy of the Report of the Grand Jury at the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Welland, held on the 9th instant.

Copies of the same Report are to be transmitted to the Government of Canada and the Ontario Government.

I am, Sir, your obt. servant,

L. D. RAYMOND, Clerk of the Peace,

J. C. PAGE,

County Clerk,

Welland.

B. N. GOSSAGE RE CANADA SOUTHERN CROSSING.

Engineer's Office, St. Thomas, Ont., July 22nd, 1879.

EDWIN HERSHEY, ESQ.,
Warden of County of Welland,
International Bridge, Ont.

DEAR SIR,-

In answer to a letter received from the County Clerk, dated July 8th, with paragraph from you saying the Railroad Company should build the Bridge because it crosses the water going down the southwest side of our track, and is so near our track as to be in that portion of highway over which the Company is responsible for maintaining,

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I beg to say that this Company cannot see why they should be called upon to rebuild this Bridge any more than the "Air Line" or Great Western Company. It must be remembered that this Bridge was in existence prior to the construction of our road. Had our railway never been built, I presume the Council would have had no hesitation in keeping it up as they previously had done. I, therefore, must decline putting our Company to any expense in this matter.

Very truly yours,

[Signed], B. M. GOSS AGE, Chief Engineer.

REPORT OF COUNTY ENGINEER.

Welland, 6th August, 1879.

J. C. Page, Esq., Clerk of the County of Welland :

DEAR SIR,-

Re S, half lot 33, Concession 3, Humberstone.

In reply to your instructions to examine the Descriptions in Patents and Deeds relating to lot No. 33, in the 3rd Concession Humberstone, and report to you if any Patent or Deed covered the south half of said lot, I beg to state—

1st. That there is no mention in the statements furnished the Registrar of the County of Welland of any Patent having been issued which by number or description would cover said lot.

2nd. That it is not included by number or description in the Deed of the Marsh Lands by the Government to the County.

3rd. That it is not included within the lilac line which borders the County Lands on the map of the Marsh Land in your possession, and

4th. That it is not described in any Deed affecting lot 33, either by number or description.

Yours truly,

Signed, HENRY T. ROS., County Engineer,

J. H. BALL, COUNTY INSPECTOR.

County School Inspector's Office, Thorold, December 13th, 1879.

SIR,-

I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of an Extract from the proceedings of the County Council at its last session, and in accordance therewith to submit the following statements:

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In regard to "Permits," I beg leave to state that they can now only be granted by the Minister of Education. The number of Teachers holding such Certificate is one, and he is employed in School Section No. 5, of the Township of Bertie.

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had taught the school for a number of years, and had given good satisfaction. The sanction of the Board having been obtained, the teacher laid his case before the Education Department, submitting his testimonials of successful teaching, and I then forwarded the application. I may add that while I have been disposed to treat teachers with consideration, it has also been my endeavor to have as few "permits" as possible, and that in my Report to the Chief Superintendent of Education for the year 1871, as may be seen by reference to his Report for that year—I expressed my views in regard to such Certificates in the following words:

"The practice of granting interim Certificates should, I think, cease, as soon as we shall have obtained a sufficient supply of legally qualified teachers."

In regard to Government moneys, I beg leave to state that they are paid upon the orders of Trustees, the teachers receiving cheques for them upon the sub-Treasurers.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obt. servant,
Signed, JAS. H. BALL,
County Inspector.

J. C. Page, Esq., County Clerk, Welland.

COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY OF PEEL RE SCHOOL TEACHERS.

To the County Council of Welland:

I am directed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Peel to forward to your Honorable Body a Copy of a Resolution passed by them at their late Session, A.D., 1879, and to ask your cooperation in the matter.

Signed, D. KIRKWOOD, County Clerk, Co. Peel.

Brampton, 14th June, 1879.

Moved by Dr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Savage, and resolved,-

"That in the opinion of this Council, the time has arrived when the Public School Teachers may be expected to pay, at least, part of the expenses of their own training and certification, and that the law should be so amended as to give County Councils discretionary power to exact fees not exceeding \$15, in all, for examination and attendance at the County Model School, and that the Clerk be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Hon. the Minister of Education, and that he also be authorized to transmit circular copies to the Clerks of the different Counties of the Province, soliciting their co-operation." Carried.

RE SHERIFFS' FEES COUNTY OF ELGIN.

ELGIN COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICE, St. Thomas, July 1, 1879.

SIR,-

Below is a copy of a resolution passed by the Elgin County Council, respecting Sheriffs' Fees and will thank you to submit the matter to your County Council for their co-operation.

I am. Sir,

Your obt. servant,

Signed, WILLIAM McKAY, Elgin County Clerk.

To the Clerk,

County Welland.

Moved by John King, seconded by Manuel Payne, that the Council petition the Attorney-General of Ontario, to make provision by statute or otherwise for the conveyance of convicts to the Reformatory and the Provincial Penitentiary from the several County Gaols of the Province, on some economical plan, similar to the existing practice of conveying prisoners to the Central Prison, at Toronto, and that the various County Councils of the Province be requested to cooperate with this Council in the matter of said petition.—Carried.

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COPY OF RESCLUTION OF TOWN OF WELLAND RE CHIP-PAWA BRIDGE.

Moved by Mr. Burgar, seconded by Mr. McCollum, "That inasmuch as the Municipal Council of the County of Welland saw fit to pass a motion appointing a Committee to investigate the claim that the Town of Welland has against the County re Welland Bridge;—Be it, therefore, resolved, that the Clerk be authorized to notify the Warden of this County that this Council demands \$2,000 in settlement of such claim, and that the Mayor, Reeve, and Deputy-Reeve be a Committee to confer with Committee of County Council."

[Certified.]

Signed, E. R. HELLEMS, Clerk.

Welland, 11th August, 1879.

F. SWAYZE RE MODEL SCHOOL GRANT.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

GENTLEMEN -

Whereas, Sec. 17, Cap. 16, of the Statutes of Ontario, of 1877, provide that the County Council of each County shall provide and levy in each year the sum of One Hundred Dollars at least, toward each Public School, which may become a County Model School.

Therefore, we humbly request that your Honorable body will make such provision, and we will be happy to receive such other additionaum as your Honorable body may deem fit to grant.

Signed, F. SWAYZE,

Chairman,

School Board.

Dated, this 18th day of December, 1879.

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APPENDIX F.

MISCELLANEOUS.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY IN GENERAL SESSIONS OF PEACE.

We, the Grand Jury of our Sovereign Lady the Queen

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That we have visited the Welland Gaol and find that the cells, and all the rooms, wards and premises that are occupied and used by the prisoners in a satisfactory condition and the prisoners appear to be clean and well cared for. The food, kitchen and culinary appointments are good.

We are most desirous to draw the attention of the authorities to the following:

We find that a small boy, named Upper, between thirteen and fourteen years of age has been awaiting his trial in this Gaol for two weeks. The boy was committed for an offence, which, in our opinion, should have been corrected by his father, and not brought into the Court at all.

If the father of this child felt he could not properly correct him, we think, at least, that the Magistrate who committed him for trial should have been able to decide so simple a case without referring it.

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to the Grand Jury, entailing, what we regard as, unnecessary trouble and expense.

We also regard as a grievous shame that this youth, who seems to be a bright intelligent boy, should have been sent to Gaol, where he was allowed to associate with common criminals, with the bad example of their mis-directed lives before him, a common herd, who are so unprincipled that they would find pleasure in leading a youth of such tender years into the paths of vice, and to use the words of an eminent Judge in this country, "We regard it as a disgrace to a Christian people that a Gaol should be allowed to be a place to contaminate, instead of reform a helpless criminal."

We therefore beg to urge in the strongest terms the necessity of at once making some provision for the classification of prisoners, to prevent unfortunate children being allowed to come in daily and hourly contact with hardened criminals, who are only too ready to influence for evil, the minds of the young. There are two empty Wards in the South wing, a part of which could, at little expense, be appropriated for this purpose. And the Grand Jary recommend that a part of the South wing should be appropriated at once for this purpose, and that a practical man be immediately requested to make an estimate of what the cost would be of fitting up and repairing, say six of the empty cells situated in the South wing, in order to keep children from examples of vice and sin.

In the women's ward we find a woman named Charlotte Richards, upon whom, Dr. Schooley, the Gaol Surgeon, has reported. We recommend that Dr. Schooley's suggestion should be followed.

Signed, G. H. HOWARD, Foreman, and 15 others.

Dated, Grand Jury Room, December 10, 1879.

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REPORT OF COUNTY ENGINEER RE DALY DITCH.

To the Chairman of the Marsh Lands Committee appointed by the Municipal Council of the County of Welland:

SIR,--

According to your instructions to examine the Daly Ditch, and report on the quantity of work done, at digenerally to report on the state of that work, I went there on the 8th of this month, and beg to report that I found the drain completed in a satisfactory manner up to the north end of sub-section No. 4, a distance of 53 chains 25 links from the lake. From thence up to the railway I found considerable progress made. Above the railway there also has been quite a number of cubic yards excavated.

Before laying before you a statement of the quantity of work done, and the estimated cost thereof, I beg to give an analysis of Mr. Campbell's tender, or rather of the amount of his contract.

The total amount for which the work was to be done and completed was \$2,500. This may be fairly apportioned to the several 'services Mr. Campbell had to render in the following manner:

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In conclus work on this experience From the proceedings of the Council, I have learned that Mr. Campbell was voted \$500. If this amount were spread over the whole work, each part would be entitled to an increase of one-fifth, and under those circumstances the estimate would stand thus:

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I may here say that the rate per cubic yard, at the incressed price is about 11\frac{3}{4} cents, or exactly \$0.1176. I have only one other view to submit, viz.: that I am of opinion no man can earn decent wages at a lesser price per cubic yard for excavating the earth work on the east—carrying it down and across a drain of over 10 feet deep, in parts, and up the other, or west side, and forming a road with that material, for less than my original estimate of 20c. per cubic yard. Also, in all other parts of section No. 1, where the stuff is deposited on the East side of the drain, the digging or excavating and removing, I am of opinion is worth 15e per cubic yard. I am also of opinion that the 32 perches next the lake would cost as much as I estimated in my original estimate, viz., \$160. On this basis, I beg to submit the following estimate

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The above I believe to be about what the work would fairly cost. About \$50, or say \$57.80 would yet be required in making the road what I intended it should be, leaving, according to my estimate \$2.800 as actual value of work done. I am aware that there are practical contractors in the Council, and I am confident that thei figures will not differ much from mine.

In conclusion, I beg to say that it is much to be regretted that the work on this drain is stopped, for the present as from a long practical experience of drainage work, I am convinced that if it were finished

it would answer all the purposes for which it was designed, viz., in draining a large tract of land, some of which is, in its present state, valueless and waste. Some of it is wholly dependent on the season whether it be a trap to eatch the unwary owner who may cultivate it or not, and some of it can only be cultivated at a late period of the year, and is again flooded early in the fall, scarcely giving time to take off crops, as some know to their cost, besides giving the other drains in the neighborhood more than they can do, thus extending the evil to an indefinite distance—east and west.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Signed, HENRY T. ROSS, County Engineer-

Welland, 10th Sept., 1879.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REEVES OF HUMBERSTONE AND PORT COLBORNE AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES ON TOWN LINE.

To the Warden of the County of Welland.

DEAR SIR,-

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last session of the County Council for the County of Welland, we the undersigned Local Committee on Roads and Bridges for the Municipalities of Humberstone and Port Colborne, beg to certify that three Bridges on the boundary line between the aforesaid Municipalities have been built, constructed, made and finished, and that the cost of the three bridges is one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and twenty-three cents, as shown in the accompanying certified accounts, and agreeable to the

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To the Ward

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aforesaid resolution, we pray you to issue your cheque on the County Treasurer in favor of W. B. Pringle for the said sum.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, W. B. PRINGLE, "ELISHA FURRY.

Port Colborne, Aug. 12th, 1879.

REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER.

Signed, JAMES MoGLASHAN,

County Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office, Welland, Dec. 17th, 1879.

REPORT OF THE REEVE AND DEPUTY REEVE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HUMBERSTONE RE NEW ROAD WEST SIDE OF CANAL.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled:

The undersigned, Reeve and Deputy Reeve of the Township of Humberstone beg leave to submit the following report in reference to

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New Road on the West Side of Canal, between lots 28 and 29 in the 3rd and 4th Concessions and on the Back Ditch of the Canal, from the 5th Concession Line to the Feeder Bridge in the Township of Humberstone.

1st. That said road was commenced and laid out by Mr. DeCew, in the Fall of 1974.

2nd. That on the 4th day of June, 1874, the County Council then in session did adopt a report of a Special Committee upon the petition of E. W. Fares and others, wherein was recommended that the, County of Welland should grant the sum of \$1600 towards the construction of said road, providing the Township of Humberstone would appropriate \$1,000 and insure from other sources the sum of \$742, making in all \$3,342, being about the amount estimated by the Engineer, Samuel D. Woodruff, for the Road to cost, as shown by his report attached to the said Petition.

3rd. That the sum of \$1,720.59 has been expended by the Township of Humberstone upon said road in the following manner, viz.; Paid Mr. DeCew, for surveying the road and laying out ditches...\$ 38 00 Paid E. W. Fares, amount of contract for brushing road and ditching..... 950 65 Paid O. F. Kinsely, for work done..... 57 31 Amount advanced by Mr. Mellanby in Winter of 1874-75...... 238 63 Paid by Township for enlarging ditches..... 54 00 Paid by Township for ditching, grading and levelling of Back Ditch, and Plank.... 382 00 Total expended by Township......\$1720 59 4th. The County has paid upon the grant aforesaid to the present time, the sum of \$1400' which has been expended as follows, viz.: For drawing stone in Winter of 1874-75..... For breaking stone in Winter of 1874-75..... 64 26 For quarrying stone and loading in Summer of 1879..... 189 00 For framing stone and loading in Summer of 1879..... 145 00 For breaking stone and loading in Summer of 1879..... 66 00 Total grant expended......\$1400 00 5th. Tha Humbersto that the W Snider, Tre the balance

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5th. That the road is now completed. That the Township of Humberstone has fulfilled its engagement. The undersigned nowask that the Warden be instructed to issue his cheque in favor of H. B. Snider, Treasurer of the said Township, for the sum of \$200, being the balance of said grant made on the 4th day of June, 1874.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Welland, 16th Dec., 1879.

Signed, ELISHA FURBY, J. A. RAMSDEN.

Conucil Chamber, Welland, December 17, 1879.

STATEMENT COUNTY TREASURER.

| May 20. To cash part of Note in C. Bank of Commerce, Thorold, part renewed | \$1000 ,3000 1000 | 00 |
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REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council assembled :

Pursuant to motion, passed the 16th December, inst., the following questions are asked:

1st. -Cost of Marsh Lands to date.

" Surveying. 2nd .-

Committees. ard.

" Ditching. 4th.-

5th .-- Amount received from sales.

6th-Number of acres yet unsold.

7th.—Amount due the County on sales.

I beg to state that sufficient time is not had to go into detail to answer each question as I should like, but will endeavor to give it as near as possible, hoping the information given will, under the circumstances, be satisfactory.

\$12,912 00 1st.—Feb. 10, 1854. Cost of Marsh Lands.......

Amt. paid at sundry times up to 2nd May, '74.....\$5,309 57 by Warden on 21st October, '78 at

Amt. of interest charged by Government on \$7,-

602.43, being the balance due on principal from 26th November, '77

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The amount of interest abated by the Government by order in Council of Nov. 26, '77, was \$115.00 or thereabouts, the same being accomplished pursuant to the Ottawa Committee who waited upon the Government in April, 1877.

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| costs, up to Nov. 24, '74, as per details herewith submitted | \$8,063 00 |
| Amt. of management, &c., since estimated | 4,000 00 |
| Total cost for this purpose | \$12,063 00 |
| Total amount of sales, including Port Colborne | \$92,000 00 |
| village lots | 20,000 00 |
| Number of acres unsold about 6,000. | |

A detailed statement also submitted of further details up to 1st Jan., 77, made up pursuant to motion in December session, 1876.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, J. C. PAGE, County Clerk.

December 18th, 1879.

REPORT OF DEPUTATION TO WAIT ON SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

To the Warden and Councillors for the County of Welland.

We, the undersigned Members of the County Council, being a deputation appointed by resolution of your Honorable Council to wait on Sir Charles Tupper, Minister of Railways and Canals, who visited the Town of Welland yesterday, beg to report that your deputation met that Honorable Gentleman at the Welland Railway Station, and Mr. Lee, Chairman of Marsh Lands Committee, addressed the Honorable Commissioner on the importance and necessity of the Government causing the Culverts, under the Feeder of the Welland Canal, being enlarged, and the back ditches being deepened and enlarged on either side of the Feeder, in order to afford a better outlet for the

drainage of the Great Marsh, on which large sums of money has been expended in drainage.

The Honorable Commissioner enquired if any application had been previously made to the Government on the subject, if so, to write him a letter calling his attention to the matter, and it should receive his consideration.

Your Deputation recommend Mr. Lee, Chairman of Marsh Lands, to write the Honorable Minister of Railways and Canals, and give him all the information he can in regard to any memorial or correspondence from your Honorable Council in regard to the said Culverts and back ditches.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, EDWARD LEE,

A. FRAZER,

T. W. HOOKER.

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 19, 1879.